MILWAUKEE RADIO AMATEURS' CLUB

Secretary's Newsletter

January 1956

Fellow Member:

There is much to report so I will try to be as concise as possible.

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

Date: January 19, 1956 8 P.M.

Program Chairman Ken Eggert, W9MOT announces that two films on the general subject of ELECTRONICS will be shown.

Following the films there will be a technical questions and answers session.

Coffee and donuts to be served after meeting.

Novices and newcomers are invited to Code Practice which precedes our regular meetings at 7 P.M.

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On January 26, the Achievement Award Trophy will be awarded to the outstanding M.R.A.C. ham of the year. A special letter will be sent on this.

For next month's meetings we are tentatively scheduled to have Mike Ercolino from Telrex to lecture on his beams.

In addition John Jacobsen will present a program on the use of OSCILLOSCOPES, the latter part of the month.

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The OLD TIMERS NITE held at the Pabst Brewery December 29 was an outstanding success. There were 103 members and guests present.

President Emil Felber, W9RH read a special Letter of Honor honoring the M.R.A.C.'s OLDEST ACTIVE AMATEUR.....

CLARENCE N. CRAPO , W9VD

Our Honored Member started Ham radio at Brockton, Mass. operating a spark transmitter from 1911 through 1917. After World War I he helped reorganize the Milwaukee Club and was its first Vice President. He held office of President from 1931-32 and 1940-41. He has been a continuous member of ARRL since 1919. HE HAS BEEN OPERATING A HAM STATION FOR OVER 44 years AND STILL IS ACTIVE ON THE AIR TODAY.

A congratulatory from the League and F. E. Handy, W1BDI was also read and presented and given to Clarence.

Old Timers Nite Chairman Clarence Crapo W9VD is especially commended on the fine work he has done in organizing and promoting the Old Timers Nite.

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Membership Chairman Ray Peschek, W9LJU reports that our Drive was very successful, adding close to 40 new members. Don't let up, fellows!! The more, the better.

Another outstanding highlight of our Annual Old Timers Nite was the awarding of LIFE MEMBERSHIPS to:

HERBERT F. BERG, W9CAS
DR. JOHN F. WYMAN, W9SZH
EMMANUEL J. IRVING, W9GQO

We extend our heartfelt congratulations to these three.

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Our membership today stands in excess of 260. With 5 new members signed in last meeting, LET'S SEE IF WE CAN'T MAKE IT 275

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Best Wishes are extended to the newly organized
Waukesha Amateur Radio Club
There is a standing invitation to its members as well as members of other suburban radio clubs to be our guests at our meetings.

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SPECIAL

ACCOMPANYING THIS LETTER YOU WILL FIND A COPY OF THE MILWAUKEE RADIO AMATEURS' CLUB, INC. AMENDED BY-LAWS. YOU ARE REQUESTED TO KEEP THIS COPY AS IT GIVES THE ARTICLES AND RULES GOVERNING OUR ORGANIZATION.

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NEW MOBILE CHAIRMAN: Gordon Fedder, W9YFW has agreed to accept the chairmanship form Charles Dawson, W9CUW. Charlie has done an excellent job and will continue as Assistant Mobile Chairman. Gordon would appreciate hearing from all M.R.A.C. members who have MOBILES in order he may plan a program of activities for you. Our Best Wishes go to Gordon in his new Chairmanship.

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A list of new members which you may cut out and paste in your Roster:

Jim Schuster, KN9BUU
3834 South 1st Street
Milwaukee 7, Wisconsin

Donald J. Gross, W9KQD
3355A North 10th Street
Milwaukee 6, Wisconsin

Ronald O. Teofan
3215 W. Highland Blvd.
Milwaukee 8, Wisconsin

Joseph H. Kuranz, W9CWK
418 East Wabash Avenue
Waukesha, Wisconsin

Norbert Piotrowski, KN9BSH
710 East Layton Avenue
Milwaukee 7, Wisconsin

G. A. Clouser, W9QMN
3901 St. Clair Street
Madison 5, Wisconsin

Dave Sutton, W9UEP
123 N. Orchard Street
Madison 5, Wisconsin

Walter Froehlich, KN9BTT
182 W. Saveland Avenue
Milwaukee 7, Wisconsin

Richard Junek
3831A North 27th Street
Milwaukee 16, Wisconsin

Ellen Hallquist
1628 North 52nd Street
Milwaukee 8, Wisconsin

Sy J. Wysocki, W9DOS
3269 South 58th Street
Milwaukee 14, Wisconsin

Several more additions will be made in next letter.

M.R.A.C.'s Secretary's NewsLetter January 1956

Attendance at our meetings has been excellent. We have averaged 62 members per meeting.

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We give special praise to our member Mary Meyer, W9RUJ, who relayed a special emergency message to the Milwaukee parents of a missionary who lost his life in performance of his duty in attempting to convert uncivilized savages in Ecuador. It is occurences such as these which serve the public interest that gives all of us the right to be on the air. Fine work, Mary!

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It is no longer a rumor, fellows. The FCC was in town. I've heard they interviewed a few of the local hams. Perhaps such visits can do much to promote more ethical conduct among few of the local hams who apparantly feel that their amateur li#cense gives them permission to commit <u>license</u> or is it <u>licence</u> It has been repeatedly announced at our meetings that we be very careful in the use of our priviliges. It has been most disconcerting to hear young SWLs comment on the fun hams have on the air. More so when they tell me some things that better belong in a "smoker" than said over the air. If we don't watch ourselves we may end up like the Australian hams who may only discuss technical matters over the air!!! Enough said???

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In regard to the last matter again, why not use some of the VHF bands, 6 and 2, where your high power can do some good? It is known that there is considerable pressure on FCC by commercial interest for these bands. Occupy them and you'll be helping two ways.....keeping your conversation from SWLs and helping to preserve our frequencies through their usage.

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FOR SALE: Stancor 100-B; Millen 2, 6, and 10; Stancor 440-M modulator; operating table; Shure mike; Low Pass Filter; antenna coupler; key; earphones and adjacent equipment. See Les Thelaner, W9HDW; Phone Glenview 3-6856

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Don't forget the Fifth Annual Novice Roundup February 4th through the 19th. See page 50 January QST.

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Last minute addition. New member admitted

Joseph C. Thompson, W9GER...regular

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News items and items of general interested are solicited for this Newsletter by your Secretary. For Sale insertions are for <u>members only</u>.

Sincerely,

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